

## Spring Medicine

Your blood in Spring is almost certain to be full of impurities—the accumulation of the winter months. Bad ventilation of sleeping rooms, impure air in dwellings, factories and shops, over-eating, heavy, improper foods, failure of the kidneys and liver properly to do extra work thus thrust upon them, are the prime causes of this condition. It is of the utmost importance that you

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Prepared for "The Journal" by a Writer Who Has Been on a Farm.

A poor cow is a better money maker than a scrub steer.

There is no part of farming that pays as large a profit as herb culture.

There is no business in the United States, that is so prosperous as the bicycle trade.

More good horses have been ruined by the neglect of their feet when foals than by any other cause.

It would have taken nine years of street-railway consumption to equal the decrease in horses in 1895—709,261 head.

Tin gutters should be painted at least once in two years. Red lead is the best, followed with a coat of venetian red.

"Red Cross" currant is the name of a newly originated currant, which is reported to be far superior to any of the older varieties.

The condition of the American heavy-horse supply, is very low. Every man who has a good mare ought to breed to a first-class draft horse.

It is a fact that nearly \$9,000,000 of the capital stock of the Linsend oil trust, represents "good will." As an asset this is even thinner than water.

A creamery means more good butter for cash, and less store butter "in trade." This ought to make the store keeper happy as well as the farmer.

The Black African goose is, after a series of tests by the Rhode Island experiment station, pronounced the best pure breed for profitable production.

There is one advantage in Jersey butter: It is always firm and hard, and the grocer can handle it with a high degree of pleasure, as well as the consumer.

The orange season in Southern California will soon be over. The shipping season will close earlier this year than ever before mostly due to the shortage in the Florida crop.

The Michigan peach crop is in perfect condition, with a large number of young orchards coming into bearing. Last year 600,000 bushels were marketed from the peach district.

Commissioner of Agriculture Schraub, has begun action against Armour & Co. of Chicago, to recover \$570,000, as penalties for selling oleomargarine in New York state.

Early spring medicines are not needed if you are a patron of the early spring garden, and there is nothing that gives life and vigor to the liver more readily than to make that garden with your own hands.

Don't condemn the cow because she does not just come up to a high standard in your creamery, but give her another trial and remember that there are more poor feeders than poor cows.

There are many flock masters who think that a sheep can live without water. It is true they drink but little compared to an ox, but they are often allowed to suffer for want of that little on account of this old notion.

Hot water, maintaining the heat at 132 degrees Fahrenheit, will effectually kill smut on all small grains, but not on corn. It can be eradicated from corn, only by going through the fields and picking it off and destroying it.

It is not well for the general farmer to interfere with market gardening, though every farm should have an abundant garden, large enough to supply at least one good meal a day, during the season.

Thousands of acres of fall sown wheat, is reported, were destroyed by frosts in Whitman county, Wash. Mostly those who used seed wheat, which is only good for spring planting, are the sufferers.

The same buildings and coops will house good blooded poultry, just as well as mongrel. As the same attention required to keep one will keep the others, is no good reason why every progressive farmer should not have fine fowls.

The driving horse is the one the bicycle displaces the most. Yet but few men who own wheels have displaced horses with them. It is found, when you study the case that the wheel has not made such alarming inroads on the horse after all.

Minnesota, though she has only 300 creameries, yet at the International butter exhibit at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Minnesota butter scored 21.3 per cent higher than any other state and scored on an average 93.84 points, being the highest average score made by any one state.

Grease thoroughly every day for four or five days; then skip several and again renew, and in a few weeks you can remove the vilest looking wart from horses and cattle, without leaving an ugly scar, or resorting to caustics.

There is one thing about potatoes which is refreshing, and that is that last year's crop is not in the way of this year's crop, and the man who stays by the mild-eyed, meek and lowly tuber will get there. It is only a question of time.

A new creamery is soon to be started at Seio, Messrs. Kent & Caterlin, of this city, being the proprietors. E. F. Parkhurst, the machinery man, supplies all the fixtures and necessities, except the cows. Salem should have a creamery at an early date.

The parsnip is known to be the finest food for stock. Its fattening element is known to be far ahead of any other root plant. This fact is not generally known to farmers. Try a small patch. They are the only root that will fatten a steer or hog in a satisfactory manner.

From the fact that but 14 per cent of the horses in the country were ever in use in the street-car business at any one time, does not seem that this displacement by the electric motor should have cut so much of a figure in reducing the value of the horse, after all.

If horses increased in litters like pigs, the horse business would be in a sorry plight at present. The fact that there are comparatively no two-year-olds or yearlings, and weanlings fewer still in the country, proves that the horse is bound to be to the front in the near future.

The experiments at Cornell experiment station show that between the time the corn is in tassel and the time the ears are in milk, its nutritive value gains nearly 100 per cent; and that from this period up to the time of full ripening, its value is one-half more than when cut in the milk stage; or, in round numbers, it increases from the time it tassels out until it materializes in food value three times. In the silo this is important.

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